

XIV.—FIRST INDIAN RECORD OF THE EASTERN GREY DUCK (*ANAS PÆCILORHYNCHA ZONORHYNCHA*, SWINHOE) AND THE OCCURRENCE OF THE EASTERN WHITE-EYE (*NYROCA RUFBA BAERI* RADDE) IN BIHAR

On March 27, 1929, my collector shot a drake of the Eastern Grey Duck on the Uma Jheel, Pachgachia in the Darbhanga District, Bihar. One specimen of this duck had previously been got at Kentung in the Southern Shan States and another from Taungyi, both in Burma, and these are the only records from India and Burma; so it is most interesting that it should have turned up so far west. My collector realized that it was not the Spotbill when he shot it.

On February 22, 1929, he shot a fine drake of the Eastern White-eye at Baheri quite close to Baghownie. It was the only one amongst a number of the ordinary White-eye (*Nyroca rufa rufa* Linn.), the collector was able to tell it was different before he shot it. I had long hoped for this sub-species to turn up, but out of hundreds of specimens examined by me all proved to be the ordinary White-eye; so it is interesting to find that at long last it has been obtained. Finn got eleven specimens in the Calcutta market in 1896 and since then others have been found in Eastern Bengal, Assam, Manipur and Burma. The drake is easily recognized by its head and neck being glossed with green, but the ducks are not so easily discriminated.

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XV.—MIGRATION NOTES FROM KOHAT, N. W. F. P.

The following relating to the migration of birds may possibly interest you or some of your members who study the subject.

Kohat, 1929

Cranes (*Kullam*) began to arrive about their normal date, i.e., latter end August.

Duck.—Abnormally early. Teal seen in August—Gadwal early in September.

Quail.—Unusually early in large numbers and stayed much later than usual, i.e., until beginning of December when they were still being netted in odd patches of millet (*jowari*).

Return Migration, 1930

Cranes.—Normal; end March, first half April, but completed very quickly. During heavy rain first week in April, thousands of *Kullam* were held up unable to cross north over the Tirah Hills